

## NIO/W

8 September 1983

TO: Chairman, NIC

Thru: Vice-Chairman NIC (Waterman)

Subject: Discussion of Warning Meetings

I've managed to box myself out of the Tuesday
Staff meeting for the next two weeks, and next week
will also be gone. I would ask that
we refrain from the discussion until the 27th or
that we hold it during a Thursday session.

As I indicated to you I had a paper in process which, with your concurrence, I had intended to send out to the other NIOs. It reaffirms previous guidance and I think has been fairly well received.

As with the Watch Committee, there is benefit in being forced to think in terms of early warning even if the process does not lend itself to routine scheduling. I would encourage us to continue the meeings keeping their focus as sharp as possible.

I am not nearly so comfortable with the reporting. If warning reports are to continue they must be much more clearly focussed. I also recommend that Harry Cochran's piece not be an overview but rather an independent entry.

If you would like we can send out the attached draft to stimulate discussion.

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